

**IC 20-2**

**ARTICLE 2. COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP  
ADMINISTRATION OF ELEMENTARY AND  
SECONDARY SCHOOLS**

**IC 20-2-1**

Chapter 1. Organization of County Boards of Education

**IC 20-2-1-1**

**Township trustees to constitute county board of education;  
meetings; powers and duties; funding**

Sec. 1. (a) The township trustees of each and every township of each county shall constitute a county board of education. The board shall meet monthly at the office of the county superintendent of schools and at such other times as the county superintendent of schools may deem necessary. At the January meeting of each year, the board shall organize by electing a vice-president and a secretary from its membership. The county superintendent of schools shall be ex officio the chairman of the board. The secretary of the board shall keep an accurate record of the minutes of the board, which minutes shall be kept at the county superintendent's office. The county superintendent shall act as administrator of the board and shall carry out such acts and duties as shall be designated by the board. A quorum shall consist of a number equal to the number of township schools under the administration of a county superintendent of schools; provided, that no business may be transacted unless a majority of the trustees of the township schools under the administration of the county superintendent of schools is present. Business shall be transacted and the acts of the board shall become effective by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of members present on problems coming before the board. The powers granted the county board of education under this chapter, however, shall not otherwise be construed as granting such board any authority whatsoever over the selection or employment of any of the personnel or employees or the purchase of supplies in any of the schools of the individual townships.

(b) The county board of education shall enter into a written contract with such additional administrative and supervisory employees who shall serve the township schools of the county as shall, in the judgment of two-thirds (2/3) of the members of said board, be necessary for the proper administration and supervision of the county school system. Funds for the salaries of such persons and supplies for such persons' use shall be provided in the same manner as now provided by law for the fixing and appropriation of the salaries of the county superintendent of schools, except in the case of the school attorney whose salary or fee, related to performing the duties of his office, may in part be paid directly from the school fund. Such additional persons as are employed for the necessary administration and supervision of the county school system shall be

nominated by the county superintendent of schools and approved by a vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the county board of education. The county board of education shall make decisions as to the general conduct of the schools, which shall be enforced as entered upon the minutes recorded by the secretary of the board. It shall be the duty of the county board of education, through its treasurer, to receive from the state of Indiana, such sums of money as are provided and distributed from the state school tuition fund for teaching units, as provided by law, for those employed by the county board of education, and shall be deemed to fulfill all requirements of a school corporation for receiving such funds from the state school tuition fund. The county treasurer shall be ex officio treasurer of the county board of education, eligible to receive the distribution of funds from the state of Indiana, which funds shall be credited to the county revenue fund as a receipt against the estimated expenditures for the salaries of the school employees, for which distribution was made by the state.

*(Formerly: Acts 1951, c.164, s.1; Acts 1974, P.L.91, SEC.1.) As amended by P.L.202-1983, SEC.1; P.L.3-1990, SEC.71.*

#### **IC 20-2-1-2**

##### **County superintendent; appointment; term**

Sec. 2. The county board of education by a majority vote of the members of the board shall appoint a county superintendent of schools who shall serve for a term of four (4) years. The first such appointment under this chapter shall be made in accordance with law during the first fifteen (15) days of May 1953 and each four (4) years thereafter, to be effective August 16, 1953, and the board shall fill vacancies in this office, in accordance with law, by appointment which shall expire at the end of the regular term.

*(Formerly: Acts 1951, c.164, s.2; Acts 1953, c.247, s.1.) As amended by P.L.2-1988, SEC.436.*

#### **IC 20-2-1-3 Repealed**

*(Repealed by P.L.1-1989, SEC.75.)*

#### **IC 20-2-1-4**

##### **Certain school corporations unaffected**

Sec. 4. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to affect the status of or to interfere in any way with, any county school corporation created by the action of county boards of education pursuant to IC 20-2-2-3.

*(Formerly: Acts 1951, c.164, s.4.) As amended by P.L.2-1988, SEC.437.*